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MEMORANDUM FOR : Acting Chief, DFD-DD/P
SUBJECT : Weekly Activity Report for Development Branch
18-29 July 1960

1. ACTION ITEMS:

- a. A support/logistics OXCART Suppliers Meeting was held at []
28-29 July.
- b. The Perkin-Elmer V/H sensor test for OXCART is in process at Edwards
Air Force Base. A tentative termination date is 4 August.
- c. [] of Pratt & Whitney reported to Messrs. Parson-
gosky and Kierulff anticipated financial increases in the future in the
OXCART program which are in excess of original estimates. Pratt &
Whitney has been advised to prepare two sets of data covering the
following:
- (1) Recommendations regarding what can be done by P & W to remain
within original funding estimates
 - (2) Background data and projected curves concerning increases anticipated
in excess of original estimates
- [] and the Project auditor have been sent to West Palm Beach
to review cost data. A meeting has been scheduled for 11 August to
brief the DD/P on the foregoing.
- d. A Ryon beacon series of tests of the azimuth function have been
completed. The last run resulted in satisfactory operation at a
distance of 50 miles with the aircraft at 2,000 feet and 35 miles
at 500 feet. The system has been returned to the factory for re-
packaging and for rework of the ranging function. This work will
take about 4 months to do.

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e. The OXCART Activity Program and OXCART Construction Program for FY 61 have been approved 29 July.

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f. [] visited Minneapolis-Honeywell, Minneapolis, for orientation purposes. [] is preparing a list of action items relating to M-H/Lockheed for Mr. Kiefer's follow-up action.

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g. The Convair press has been delivered to []

h. A reply was sent to OSI to an OSI memorandum regarding []

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i. A meeting was held 26 July with Dr. Ghyark, Dr. Perkins, Colonel Geary, Messrs. Vetich and Echert (Bureau of the Budget), Kiefer and Parangosky regarding OXCART. The BOB wants a paper prior to 10 August regarding the merits of OXCART, particularly relating to potential competitor programs in existence. Mr. Kiefer will write the paper.

2. PENDING ITEMS:

a. SUBJECT : OXCART [] Draft #3
DATE : Prior 31 July
ACTION : Review - []

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b. SUBJECT : Next OXCART Suppliers Meeting Date
DATE : No hurry
ACTION : DB/DPD - likely to be held the week of 12 September

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c. SUBJECT : OXCART - []
DATE : Prior 1 August
ACTION : DB/DPD

d. SUBJECT : OXCART Logistics SOP's Long Range Program
DATE : Unknown
ACTION : DB/DPD and Materiel/DPD

e. SUBJECT : CORONA Feasibility Study regarding 150-mile nominal orbit
DATE : Prior 1 August
ACTION : [] must be notified and will monitor LMSD effort

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f. SUBJECT : HFB Development Beacon
DATE : 15 August Delivery of Prototypes
ACTION : [] monitor

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- g. SUBJECT : OXCART [REDACTED]
 DATE : ASAP
 ACTION : Colonel Geary. This should be followed-up. 25X1
- h. SUBJECT : OXCART Pilot Folders for DPD Review
 DATE : 15 August
 ACTION : Colonel Geary
- i. SUBJECT : Review of Satellite Camera Proposals
 DATE : 30 August
 ACTION : DB/DPD/BMD/Billings
- j. SUBJECT : Hycon briefing on camera system
 for use in Mercury capsule
 DATE : When Hycon is asked
 ACTION : DB/DPD
- k. SUBJECT : OXCART Shipping Indicator
 DATE : ASAP
 ACTION : Colonel Geary
- l. SUBJECT : Resubmit CHALICE Activity Program and Memo regarding
 Film Funding and Improvement of E-K Equipment
 DATE : ASAP
 ACTION : [REDACTED] 25X1A
- m. SUBJECT : CORONA Diagnostic Firing
 DATE : 4 August Revised Date
 ACTION : LMSD/DB Monitor. Slippage resulted due to a vehicle
 problem
- n. SUBJECT : OXCART Engine Exhaust Ionization tests at East Hartford
 DATE : 1 August Revised Date
 ACTION : P & W [REDACTED] 25X1
- o. SUBJECT : [REDACTED]
 DATE : Resumption of Flight Tests 5/6 August
 ACTION : DB/DPD. Repair of structural damage not yet completed.
 X-ray studies, static shake testing, repair of wear of
 engine mounts showing chafing against the engine firewall
 are in process. 25X1A
- p. SUBJECT : OXCART [REDACTED] Construction Program Review
 DATE : Prior 10 August
 ACTION : CH/DB/DPD 25X1A

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- q. SUBJECT : Follow-Up Actions required after OXCART Support
Suppliers Meeting
DATE : Prior 5 August
ACTION : CH/DB/DPD
- r. SUBJECT : OXCART HRR Contract Actions
DATE : Prior 8 August
ACTION : CH/Contracts/DPD
- s. SUBJECT : OXCART Paper for BOB
DATE : Prior to 10 August
ACTION : Mr. Kiefer in coordination with Dr. Charyk and Dr. Perkins

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